

SPECIFICATION

TRANSITION METAL COMPLEXES AND POLYMERIZATION CATALYSTS

5 Technical Field

The present invention relates to transition metal complexes, olefin polymerization catalysts and a process for preparing olefin polymers.

10 Background Technique

WO87/02370 reports that

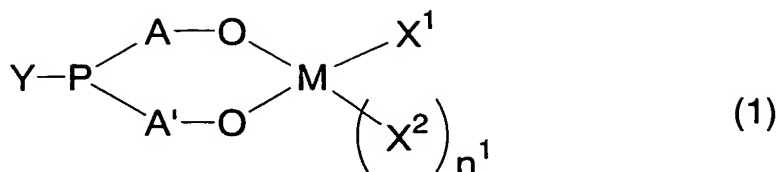
2,2'-thiobis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)titanium dichloride is used as a component of an olefin polymerization catalyst, and JP-A No. 10-218922 reports that

15 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)(tetrahydrofuran)titanium dichloride is used as a component of an olefin polymerization catalyst. However, these catalysts are not industrially necessarily satisfactory in their activity.

20 Disclosure of the Invention

According to the present invention, an olefin polymerization catalyst having better activity is obtained from a novel transition metal complex, and olefin can be industrially advantageously prepared by a method of polymerizing olefin using
25 the catalyst.

That is, the present invention provides
a transition metal complex of formula (1):



wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

5 A and A' are the same or different and represent
 a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkylene group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C10-20 naphthylene group

or

10 a silylene group substituted with a substituted or
 unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

 Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl
 group,

15 a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group or
 a silyl group substituted with a substituted or
 unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

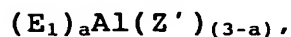
 X¹ and X² are the same or different, and represent
 a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom,

20 a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group,
 a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or
 an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, and
 n¹ is an integer of 0 to 3;

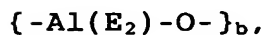
an olefin polymerization catalyst which is obtained by combining the transition metal complex with the following compound (A):

compound (A): any one of the following compounds (A_1) to (A_3), or a mixture of two or more of them

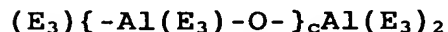
(A_1): an organic aluminum compound of formula:



(A_2): cyclic aluminosiloxane having a structure of formula:



(A_3): linear aluminosiloxane having a structure of formula:



wherein E_1 to E_3 are the same or different, and represent a C1-8 hydrocarbon group, Z' 's are the same or different and represent a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom,

a represent 1, 2 or 3,

b represents an integer of 2 or more, and

c represent an integer of 1 or more;

an olefin polymerization catalyst which is obtained by combining the aforementioned olefin polymerization catalyst and the following compound (B):

compound (B): any one of the following compounds (B_1) to (B_3), or a mixture of two or more of them:

(B_1): a boron compound of formula $BQ_1Q_2Q_3$,

(B_2): a boron compound of formula $Z^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$,

(B_3): a boron compound of formula $(L-H)^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$

wherein B is a trivalent boron atom,

Q_1 to Q_4 are the same or different and represent a halogen atom, a C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a halogenated C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

an C1-20 alkoxy group, or

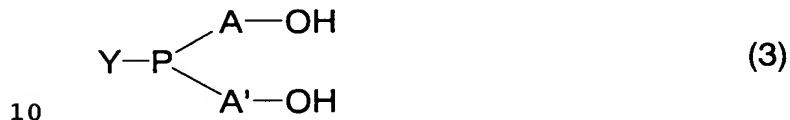
an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

Z⁺ represents an inorganic or organic cation, and

L represents a neutral Lewis base;

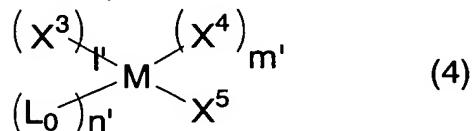
5 a process for preparing an olefin polymer utilizing the polymerization catalyst, and

a process for preparing a transition metal complex of formula (1), which process comprise reacting a compound of formula (3):



wherein Y, A and A' are as defined above,

with a transition metal compound of formula (4):



15 wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements,

X³, X⁴ and X⁵ are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group,

20 a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group,

a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or

an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon,

25 L₀ represents a neutral ligand selected from ether, sulfide,

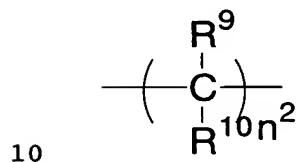
amine, phosphine or olefin, and

1', m' and n' represent independently an integer of 0 to 2.

5 Best Mode for Carrying Out the Invention

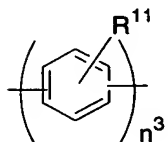
The present invention will be explained in detail below.

Examples of the substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkylene group of formula A or A' in the compound of formula (1) or (3) include, for example, a group of formula:



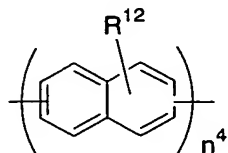
wherein R⁹ and R¹⁰ represent the substituents as defined below and n² is an integer of 1 to 10.

Examples of the substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group represented by A or A' in the compound of formula (1) or (3) include a group of formula:



wherein R¹¹ is as defined below, and n³ is an integer of 1 to 3.

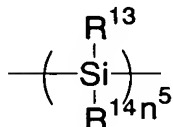
Examples of the substituted or unsubstituted C10-20 naphthylene group of formula: A or A' in the compound of formula (1) or (3) include, for example, a group of formula:



wherein R¹² represents the substituents as defined below, and

n⁴ is 1 or 2.

Examples of the substituted or unsubstituted silynene group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, represented by A, or A' in the compound of formula (1) or (3) include, for example,
5 a group of formula:



wherein R¹³ and R¹⁴ are as defined below, and n⁵ is 1 or 2.

In the aforementioned formulas, R⁹, R¹⁰, R¹¹, R¹², R¹³ and R¹⁴ are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom,
10 a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group, or a silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon. n² and n³ are preferably 1 or 2.

Examples of the halogen atom in R⁹ to R¹⁴ include a fluorine atom, a chlorine atom, a bromine atom and an iodine atom, and
15 preferred is a chlorine atom.

Examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group in R⁹ to R¹⁴ include a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a
20 tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a n-octyl group, a n-nonyl group, and a n-decyl group. Examples of the substituted C1-10 alkyl group include an C1-10 alkyl group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a
25 fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a

dimethylamino group etc.) and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a fluoromethyl group, a difluoromethyl group, a trifluoromethyl group, a fluoroethyl group, a difluoroethyl group, a trifluoroethyl group, a tetrafluoroethyl group, a pentafluoroethyl group, a perfluoropropyl group, a perfluorobutyl group, a perfluoropentyl group, a perfluorohexyl group, a perfluorooctyl group, a perfluorodecyl group, a trichloromethyl group, a methoxymethyl group, a phenoxymethyl group, a dimethylaminomethyl group, and a trimethylsilylmethyl group. Among them, a methyl group, an ethyl group, an isopropyl group, a tert-butyl group, and an amyl group are preferred, and a more preferred is a tert-butyl group.

In R^9 to R^{14} , examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group include a methoxy group, an ethoxy group, an n-propoxy group, an isopropoxy group, a n-butoxy group, a sec-butoxy group, a tert-butoxy group, a n-pentyloxy group, a neopentyloxy group, a n-hexyloxy group, a n-octyloxy group, a n-nonyloxy group, and a n-decyloxy group. Examples of the substituted C1-10 alkoxy group include an C1-10 alkoxy group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group, an ethoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. an phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.) and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.). Examples the substituted alkoxy group include, for example, a fluoromethoxy group, a difluoromethoxy group, a trifluoromethoxy group, a fluoroethoxy group, a difluoroethoxy

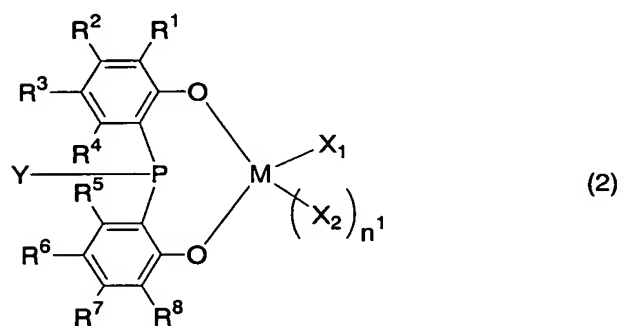
group, a trifluoroethoxy group, a tetrafluoroethoxy group, a pentafluoroethoxy group, a perfluoropropoxy group, a perfluorobutyloxy group, a perfluoropentyloxy group, a perfluorohexyloxy group, a perfluorooctyloxy group, a perfluorodecyloxy group, a trichloromethoxy group, a methoxymethyl group, a phenoxymethoxy group, a dimethylaminomethoxy group, and a trimethylsilylmethoxy group. Preferred alkoxy groups are a methoxy group, an ethoxy group and a tert-butoxy group.

10 In R^9 to R^{14} , examples of the hydrocarbon group of the silyl group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon include an C1-10 alkyl group such as a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, 15 a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a n-octyl group, a n-nonyl group, or a n-decyl group, and an C6-20 aryl group such as a phenyl group, a tolyl group, a xylyl group, a naphthyl group, or an anthracenyl group.

 Examples of the silyl group substituted with the C1-20 hydrocarbon include a monosubstituted silyl group such as a 20 methylsilyl group, an ethylsilyl group, and a phenylsilyl group, a disubstituted silyl group such as a dimethylsilyl group, a diethylsilyl group, a diphenylsilyl group, and a trisubstituted silyl group such as a trimethylsilyl group, a triethylsilyl group, 25 a tri-n-propylsilyl group, a tri-isopropylsilyl group, a tri-n-butylsilyl group, a tri-sec-butylsilyl group, a tri-tert-butylsilyl group, a tri-isobutylsilyl group, a tert-butyl dimethylsilyl group, a tri-n-pentylsilyl group, a tri-n-hexylsilyl group, a tricyclohexylsilyl group, and a

triphenylsilyl group, preferably a trimethylsilyl group, a tert-butyldimethylsilyl group, and a triphenylsilyl group. Examples of the silyl group substituted with substituted C1-20 hydrocarbon include a silyl group substituted with a halogen (e.g. a fluorine atom)-substituted C1-20 hydrocarbon group.

Preferred transition metal complex of formula (1) is a transition metal complex wherein A and A' is a substituted or unsubstituted C6-18 phenylene group, and is represented by formula (2):



wherein M represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements, Y represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group, a silyl group substituted with a substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon,

R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , R^6 , R^7 and R^8 are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, an C1-10 alkyl group, an C1-10 alkoxy group, or a silyl group substituted with a C1-20 hydrocarbon,

X^1 and X^2 are the same or different, and represent a hydrogen atom, a halogen atom, a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group, a substituted

or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group, a substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group, a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group, or an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, and n^1 is an integer of 0 to 3.

In the transition metal complex of formula (2), examples of the halogen atom in R^1 to R^8 include a fluorine atom, a chlorine atom, a bromine atom, and an iodine atom, and preferred is a chlorine atom.

Examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group in R^1 to R^8 include a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a n-octyl group, a n-nonyl group, and a n-decyl group, and an C1-10 alkyl group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (preferably a fluorine atom, or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group, an ethoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.) and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a fluoromethyl group, a difluoromethyl group, a trifluoromethyl group, a fluoroethyl group, a difluoroethyl group, a trifluoroethyl group, a tetrafluoroethyl group, a pentafluoroethyl group, a perfluoropropyl group, a perfluorobutyl group, a perfluoropentyl group, a perfluorohexyl group, a perfluorooctyl group, a perfluorodecyl group, a trichloromethyl group, a methoxymethyl group, a phenoxymethyl

group, a dimethylaminomethyl group, and a trimethylsilylmethyl group. Among them, a methyl group, an ethyl group, an isopropyl group, a tert-butyl group and an amyl group are preferred, and a tert-butyl group is more preferred.

5 In R^1 to R^8 , examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group include a methoxy group, an ethoxy group, an n-propoxy group, an isopropoxy group, a n-butoxy group, a sec-butoxy group, a tert-butoxy group, a n-pentyloxy group, a neopentyloxy group, a n-hexyloxy group, a n-octyloxy group, a n-nonyloxy group, and
10 n-decyloxy group. Examples of the substituted C1-10 alkoxy group include an C1-10 alkoxy group substituted with a halogen atom (e.g. a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group, an ethoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted
15 with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.), or a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.).

 Examples of the substituted alkoxy group include a fluoromethoxy group, a difluoromethoxy group, a
20 trifluoromethoxy group, a fluoroethoxy group, a difluoroethoxy group, a trifluoroethoxy group, a tetrafluoroethoxy group, a pentafluoroethoxy group, a perfluoropropoxy group, a perfluorobutyloxy group, a perfluoropentyloxy group, a perfluorohexyloxy group, a perfluorooctyloxy group, a
25 perfluorodecyloxy group, a trichloromethoxy group, a methoxymethoxy group, a phenoxymethoxy group, a dimethylaminomethoxy group, and a trimethylsilylmethoxy group. Preferred alkoxy groups are a methoxy group, an ethoxy group, and a tert-butoxy group.

In R^1 to R^8 , examples of the hydrocarbon group of the silyl group substituted with unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon include an C1-10 alkyl group such as a methyl group, an ethyl group, an n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, an n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a cyclohexyl group, a n-octyl group, or a n-decyl group, and an C6-20 aryl group such as a phenyl group, a tolyl group, a xylyl group, a naphthyl group, or an anthracenyl group.

Examples of the silyl group substituted with the C1-20 hydrocarbon include a monosubstituted silyl group such as a methylsilyl group, an ethylsilyl group, or a phenylsilyl group, a disubstituted silyl group such as a dimethylsilyl group, a diethylsilyl group, or a diphenylsilyl group, and a trisubstituted silyl group such as a trimethylsilyl group, a triethylsilyl group, a tri-n-propylsilyl group, a tri-isopropylsilyl group, a tri-n-butylsilyl group, a tri-sec-butylsilyl group, a tri-tert-butylsilyl group, a tri-isobutylsilyl group, a tert-butyl dimethylsilyl group, a tri-n-pentylsilyl group, a tri-n-hexylsilyl group, a tricyclohexylsilyl group, or a triphenylsilyl group, preferred is a trimethylsilyl group, a tert-butyl dimethylsilyl group, or a triphenylmethyl group. Examples of the substituted hydrocarbon group of the silyl group substituted with substituted C1-20 hydrocarbon include such groups wherein the hydrocarbon group is substituted with a halogen atom, for example, a fluorine atom.

Y of the compound of formula (1), (2) or (3) represents a substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group, a substituted

or unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group, a substituted or unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group, or a silyl group substituted with substituted or unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon.

In Y, examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group
5 include a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a n-octyl group, or a n-decyl group, examples of the substituted C1-10 alkyl group include an C1-10 alkyl group
10 substituted with an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.), or aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group), and specific examples thereof include a methoxymethyl group, and a phenoxymethyl group. Among them, a methyl group, an ethyl group, an isopropyl group, and a tert-butyl group are preferred, and a tert-butyl group
15 is more preferred.

In Y, examples of the unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group include a benzyl group, a naphthylmethyl group, an anthracenylmethyl group, a diphenylmethyl group, a (2-methylphenyl)methyl group, a (3-methylphenyl)methyl group,
20 a (4-methylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,4-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,5-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,6-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (3,4-dimethylphenyl)methyl group,
25 a (2,3,4-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,5-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,6-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (3,4,5-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)methyl group,

a (2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group,
a (2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group,
a (2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group,
a (pentamethylphenyl)methyl group, an (ethylphenyl)methyl
5 group,

a (n-propylphenyl)methyl group,
an (isopropylphenyl)methyl group, a (n-butylphenyl)methyl
group, a (sec-butylphenyl)methyl group,
a (tert-butylphenyl)methyl group, a (n-pentylphenyl)methyl
10 group, a (neopentylphenyl)methyl group,
a (n-hexylphenyl)methyl group, a (n-octylphenyl)methyl group,
a (n-decylphenyl)methyl group, and a (n-dodecylphenyl)methyl
group, and examples of the substituted C7-20 aralkyl group
include an C7-20 aralkyl group substituted with a group selected
15 from an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.) and an aryloxy
group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), and specific examples thereof
include a (methoxyphenyl)methyl group, and
a (phenoxyphenyl)methyl group. Preferred aralkyl group is a
benzyl group.

20 In Y, examples of the unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group
include a phenyl group, a naphthyl group, an anthracenyl group,
a 2-tolyl group, a 3-tolyl group, a 4-tolyl group, a 2,3-xylyl
group, a 2,4-xylyl group, a 2,5-xylyl group, a 2,6-xylyl group,
a 3,4-xylyl group, a 3,5-xylyl group, a 2,3,4-trimethylphenyl
25 group, a 2,3,5-trimethylphenyl group, a 2,3,6-trimethylphenyl
group, a 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl group, a 3,4,5-trimethylphenyl
group, a 2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenyl group,
a 2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenyl group, a 2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenyl
group, a pentamethylphenyl group, an ethylphenyl group,

a n-propylphenyl group, an isopropylphenyl group,
a n-butylphenyl group, a sec-butylphenyl group,
a tert-butylphenyl group, a n-pentylphenyl group,
a neopentylphenyl group, a n-hexylphenyl group, a n-octylphenyl
5 group, a n-decylphenyl group, a n-dodecylphenyl group, and
a n-tetradecylphenyl group. Examples of the substituted C6-20
aryl group include an C6-20 aryl group substituted with an alkoxy
group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.) or an aryloxy group (e.g. a
phenoxy group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a
10 2-methoxyphenyl group, a 3-methoxyphenyl group,
a 4-methoxyphenyl group, and a 4-phenoxyphenyl group.
Preferred aryl group is a phenyl group.

Examples of the hydrocarbon group of the silyl group
substituted with a unsubstituted C1-20 hydrocarbon represented
15 by Y include an C1-10 alkyl group such as a methyl group, an
ethyl group, a n-propyl group, a isopropyl group, a n-butyl group,
a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a
neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a cyclohexyl
group, a n-octyl group, or a n-decyl group, and an C6-20 aryl
20 group such as a phenyl group, a tolyl group, a xylyl group, a
naphthyl group, or an anthracenyl group. Examples of the silyl
group substituted with the C1-20 hydrocarbon include a
monosubstituted silyl group such as a methylsilyl group, an
ethylsilyl group, or a phenylsilyl group, a disubstituted silyl
25 group such as a dimethylsilyl group, a diethylsilyl group, or
a diphenylsilyl group, and a trisubstituted silyl group such
as a trimethylsilyl group, a triethylsilyl group, a
tri-n-propylsilyl group, a tri-isopropylsilyl group, a
tri-n-butylsilyl group, a tri-sec-butylsilyl group, a

tri-tert-butylsilyl group, a tri-isobutylsilyl group, a tert-butyl dimethyl silyl group, a tri-n-pentylsilyl group, a tri-n-hexylsilyl group, a tricyclohexylsilyl group, or a triphenylsilyl group, examples of the hydrocarbon group of the silyl group substituted with substituted C1-20 hydrocarbon include a C1-20 hydrocarbon group substituted with a substituent selected from an alkoxy group or an aryloxy group, and preferred are a trimethylsilyl group, a tert-butyl dimethylsilyl group, and a triphenylsilyl group.

M of the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) represents an element of Group 6 of Periodic Table of Elements, specifically, a chromium atom, a molybdenum atom, and a tungsten atom, preferred is a chromium atom.

Examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkyl group represented by X^1 , X^2 , X^3 , X^4 and X^5 in the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group, a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl group, a n-octyl group, and a n-decyl group.

Examples of the substituted C1-10 alkyl group include an C1-10 alkyl group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxyl group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.), and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a fluoromethyl group, a difluoromethyl group, a trifluoromethyl group, a fluoroethyl group, a difluoroethyl

group, a trifluoroethyl group, a tetrafluoroethyl group, a pentafluoroethyl group, a perfluoropropyl group, a perfluorobutyl group, a perfluoropentyl group, a perfluoroethyl group, a perfluorooctyl group, a perfluorodecyl group, a trichloromethyl group, a methoxymethyl group, a phenoxymethyl group, a dimethylaminomethyl group, and a trimethylsilylmethyl group. Among them, preferred are a methyl group, an ethyl group, an isopropyl group, a tert-butyl group, and an amyl group, and more preferred is a methyl group.

10 Examples of the unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyl group in X^1 to X^5 in the compound of the formula (1), (2) or (4) include a benzyl group, a naphthylmethyl group, an anthracenylmethyl group, a diphenylmethyl group, a (2-methylphenyl)methyl group, a (3-methylphenyl)methyl group, 15 a (4-methylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,4-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,5-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,6-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (3,4-dimethylphenyl)methyl group, 20 a (2,3,4-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,5-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,6-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (3,4,5-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)methyl group, 25 a (2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group, a (2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenyl)methyl group, a (pentamethylphenyl)methyl group, an (ethylphenyl)methyl group,

a (n-propylphenyl)methyl group,
an (isopropylpentyl)methyl group, a (n-butylphenyl)methyl
group, a (sec-butylphenyl)methyl group,
a (tert-butylheptyl)methyl group, a (n-pentylphenyl)methyl
5 group, a (neopentylphenyl)methyl group,
a (n-hexylphenyl)methyl group, a (n-octylphenyl)methyl group,
a (n-decylphenyl)methyl group, and a (n-dodecylphenyl)methyl
group. Examples of the substituted C7-20 aralkyl group include
an C7-20 aralkyl group substituted with a halogen atom (e.g.
10 a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g.
a methoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group
etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a
dimethylamino group etc.), or a silyl group substituted with
hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific
15 examples thereof include a (fluorophenyl)methyl group,
a (difluorophenyl)methyl group, a (pentafluorophenyl)methyl
group, a (chlorophenyl)methyl group, a (methoxyphenyl)methyl
group, a (phenoxyphenyl)methyl group,
a (dimethylaminophenyl)methyl group, and
20 a (trimethylsilylphenyl)methyl group. Preferred aralkyl group
is a benzyl group.

Examples of the unsubstituted C6-20 aryl group in X^1 to
 X^5 in the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a phenyl
group, a naphthyl group, an anthracenyl group, a 2-tolyl group,
25 a 3-tolyl group, a 4-tolyl group, a 2,3-xylyl group, a 2,4-xylyl
group, a 2,5-xylyl group, a 2,6-xylyl group, a 3,4-xylyl group,
a 3,5-xylyl group, a 2,3,4-trimethylphenyl group,
a 2,3,5-trimethylphenyl group, a 2,3,6-trimethylphenyl group,
a 2,4,6-trimethylphenyl group, a 3,4,5-trimethylphenyl group,

a 2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenyl group, a 2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenyl group, a 2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenyl group, a pentamethylphenyl group, an ethylphenyl group, a n-propylphenyl group, an isopropylphenyl group, a n-butylphenyl group, a sec-butylphenyl group, a tert-butylphenyl group, an-pentylphenyl group, a neopentylphenyl group, a n-hexylphenyl group, a n-octylphenyl group, a n-decylphenyl group, a n-dodecylphenyl group, and a n-tetradecylphenyl group. Examples of the substituted C6-20 aryl group include an C6-20 aryl group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a fluorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.), and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a 2-fluorophenyl group, a 3-fluorophenyl group, a 4-fluorophenyl group, a 3,5-difluorophenyl group, a pentafluorophenyl group, a 4-chlorophenyl group, a 2-methoxyphenyl group, a 3-methoxyphenyl group, a 4-methoxyphenyl group, a 4-phenoxyphenyl group, a 4-dimethylaminophenyl group, and a 4-trimethylsilylphenyl group. Preferred aryl group is a phenyl group.

Examples of the unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group in X^1 to X^5 in the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a methoxy group, an ethoxy group, a n-propoxy group, an isopropoxy group, a n-butoxy group, a sec-butoxy group, a tert-butoxy group, a n-pentyloxy group, a neopentyloxy group, a n-hexyloxy group, a n-octyloxy group, a n-nonyloxy group, and a n-decyloxy group.

Examples of the substituted C1-10 alkoxy group include an alkoxy group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a fluorine atom or a chlorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.),
5 an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.), and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a fluoromethoxy group,
10 a difluoromethoxy group, a trifluoromethoxy group, a fluoroethoxy group, a difluoroethoxy group, a trifluoroethoxy group, a tetrafluoroethoxy group, a pentafluoroethoxy group, a perfluoropropoxy group, a perfluorobutyloxy group, a perfluoropentyloxy group, a perfluorohexyloxy group,
15 a perfluorooctyloxy group, a perfluorodecyloxy group, a trichloromethoxy group, a methoxymethoxy group, a phenoxymethoxy group, a dimethylaminomethoxy group, and a trimethylsilylmethoxy group. Preferred substituted or unsubstituted C1-10 alkoxy group are a methoxy group, an ethoxy
20 group, and a tert-butoxy group.

Examples of the unsubstituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group in X^1 to X^5 in the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a benzyloxy group, a naphthylmethoxy group, an anthracenylmethoxy group, a diphenylmethoxy group, a (2-methylphenyl)methoxy group,
25 a (3-methylphenyl)methoxy group, a (4-methylphenyl)methoxy group, a (2,3-dimethylphenyl)methoxy group, a (2,4-dimethylphenyl)methoxy group, a (2,5-dimethylphenyl)methoxy group, a (2,6-dimethylphenyl)methoxy group,

a (3,4-dimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,4-trimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,5-trimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,6-trimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 5 a (3,4,5-trimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,4,6-trimethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenyl)methoxy group,
 10 a (pentamethylphenyl)methoxy group, an (ethylphenyl)methoxy
 group, a (n-propylphenyl)methoxy group,
 an (isopropylphenyl)methoxy group, a (n-butylphenyl)methoxy
 group, a (sec-butylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (tert-butylphenyl)methoxy group, a (n-pentylphenyl)methoxy
 15 group, a (neopentylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (n-hexylphenyl)methoxy group, a (n-octylphenyl)methoxy group,
 a (n-decylphenyl)methoxy group, and a (n-dodecylphenyl)methoxy
 group. Examples of the substituted C7-20 aralkyloxy group include
 the aralkyloxy group substituted with a substituent selected
 20 from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a chlorine
 atom or a fluorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy
 group etc.), an aryloxy group (e.g. a phenoxy group etc.), an
 amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino
 group etc.) and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g.
 25 a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof
 include a (fluorophenyl)methyl group, a (difluorophenyl)methyl
 group,
 a (pentafluorophenyl)methyl group, a (chlorophenyl)methyl
 group, a (methoxyphenyl)methyl group, a (phenoxyphenyl)methyl

group, a (dimethylaminophenyl)methyl group, and a (trimethylsilylphenyl)methyl group. Preferred aralkyloxy group is a benzyloxy group.

Examples of the unsubstituted C6-20 aryloxy group in X¹ to X⁵ in the compound of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a phenoxy group, a naphthoxy group, an anthracenoxy group, a 2-methylphenoxy group, a 3-methylphenoxy group, a 4-methylphenoxy group, a 2,3-dimethylphenoxy group, a 2,4-dimethylphenoxy group, a 2,5-dimethylphenoxy group, a 2,6-dimethylphenoxy group, a 3,4-dimethylphenoxy group, a 3,5-dimethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,4-trimethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,5-trimethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,6-trimethylphenoxy group, a 2,4,5-trimethylphenoxy group, a 2,4,6-trimethylphenoxy group, a 3,4,5-trimethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,4,5-tetramethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,4,6-tetramethylphenoxy group, a 2,3,5,6-tetramethylphenoxy group, a pentamethylphenoxy group, an ethylphenoxy group, a n-propylphenoxy group, an isopropylphenoxy group, a n-butylphenoxy group, a sec-butylphenoxy group, a tert-butylphenoxy group, a n-hexylphenoxy group, a n-octylphenoxy group, a n-decylphenoxy group, and a n-tetradecylphenoxy group. Examples of the substituted C6-20 aryloxy group include an aryloxy group substituted with a substituent selected from the group consisting of a halogen atom (e.g. a chlorine atom or a fluorine atom etc.), an alkoxy group (e.g. a methoxy group etc.), an aryloxy group (a phenoxy group etc.), an amino group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a dimethylamino group etc.), and a silyl group substituted with hydrocarbon (e.g. a trimethylsilyl group etc.), and specific examples thereof include a 2-fluorophenoxy group,

a 3-fluorophenoxy group,
a 4-fluorophenoxy group, a 3,5-difluorophenoxy group,
a pentafluorophenoxy group, a 4-chlorophenoxy group,
a 2-methoxyphenoxy group, a 3-methoxyphenoxy group,
5 a 4-methoxyphenoxy group, a 4-phenoxyphenoxy group,
a 4-dimethylaminophenoxy group, and a 4-trimethylsilylphenoxy
group. Preferred substituted or unsubstituted C7-20 aryloxy
group is a phenoxy group.

Examples of the hydrocarbon group in an amino group
10 disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon in X^1 to X^5 in the compound
of formula (1), (2) or (4) include an C1-10 alkyl group such
as a methyl group, an ethyl group, a n-propyl group, an isopropyl
group, a n-butyl group, a sec-butyl group, a tert-butyl group,
a n-pentyl group, a neopentyl group, an amyl group, a n-hexyl
15 group, a cyclohexyl group, a n-octyl group, or a n-decyl group,
and an C6-20 aryl group such as a phenyl group, a tolyl group
a xylyl group, a naphthyl group, or an anthracenyl group.
Examples of the amino group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon
include a dimethylamino group, a diethylamino group,
20 a di-n-propylamino group, a diisopropylamino group,
a di-n-butylamino group, a di-sec-butylamino group,
a di-tert-butylamino group, a di-isobutylamino group,
a tert-butylisopropylamino group, a di-n-hexylamino group,
a di-n-octylamino group, a di-n-decylamino group, and
25 a diphenylamino group, and preferred is a dimethylamino group,
or a diethylamino group.

Examples of the halogen atom in X^1 to X^5 in the compound
of formula (1), (2) or (4) include a fluorine atom, a chlorine
atom, a bromine atom, and an iodine atom, and preferred is a

chlorine atom.

Examples of the neutral ligand represented by L_0 include a molecule having a neutral functional group such as ether, sulfide, amine, phosphine and olefin, and a neutral ligand may
5 have a plurality of coordinating functional groups in its molecule.

Examples of the neutral ligand include dimethyl ether, diethyl ether, methyl tert-butyl ether, furan, tetrahydrofuran, dimethoxyethane, diethoxyethane, dimethyl sulfide, diethyl
10 sulfide, methyl tert-butyl sulfide, thiophene, tetrahydrothiophene, ethylenedithiol dimethyl sulfide, ethylenedithiol diethyl sulfide, trimethylamine, triethylamine, triphenylamine, tricyclohexylamine, pyridine, 2,2'-bipyridine, tetramethylethylenediamine, tetraethylethylenediamine,
15 triphenylphosphine, tricyclohexylphosphine, tri-tert-butylphosphine, bis(diphenylphosphino)methane, bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane, bis(diphenylphosphino)propane, bis(diphenylphosphino)binaphthyl, ethylene, propylene, butene, butadiene, octene, octadiene, cyclohexene, cyclohexadiene,
20 norbornene, and norbornadiene.

Examples of the transition metal complex of formula (1) include 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium chloride, 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride, 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)chromium
25 chloride,
2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methylphenoxy)-chromium chloride,
2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)-chromium chloride,

2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium
 chloride, 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium
 5 chloride,
 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride,
 10 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methylphenoxy)-
 chromium chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chro
 15 mium chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium
 chloride, 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium
 20 chloride,
 2,2'-(methylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium chloride,
 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium
 25 chloride,
 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)chromium
 chloride,
 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methylphenoxy)
 -chromium chloride,

2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy) chromium chloride,

2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy) - chromium chloride,

5 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy) -

10 chromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)chromium

15 chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methylphenoxy) chromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy) chromium chloride,

20 2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy) - chromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium

25 chloride,

2,2'-(cyclohexylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy) - chromium chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methylphenoxy)-
chromium chloride,

5 2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)-
chromium chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium
10 chloride, 2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(benzylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bisphenoxychromium
15 chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(4-methylphenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(4,6-dimethylphenoxy)-
chromium chloride,

20 2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(4-tert-butyl-6-methyl-
phenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methyl-
phenoxy)chromium chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(4,6-di-tert-butylphenoxy)
25 chromium chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(4-methoxyphenoxy)chromium
chloride,

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(6-bromophenoxy)chromium
chloride, and

2,2'-(trimethylsilylphosphido)bis(6-trimethylsilylphenoxy)-chromium chloride, and compounds in which the chromium is replaced by molybdenum or tungsten, and compounds in which chloride is replaced by bromide, iodide, methoxide, isopropoxide, butoxide, dimethylamide, ethylamide, methyl, or trimethylsilylmethyl.

The compound of formula (3) can be prepared according to the method described in JP-A No. 9-104691.

Examples of the compound of formula (3) include:

- 10 bis(hydroxymethyl)methylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)isopropylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)ethylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)-n-propylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)-n-butylphosphine,
- 15 bis(hydroxymethyl)-t-butylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)benzylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)phenylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)mesitylphosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
- 20 bis(hydroxymethyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
- bis(hydroxymethyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)methylphosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)isopropylphosphine,
- 25 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)ethylphosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-n-propylphosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-n-butylphosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)-t-butylphosphine,
- bis(2-hydroxyethyl)benzylphosphine,

bis(2-hydroxyethyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)ethylphosphine,
 10 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)phenylphosphine,
 15 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 20 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 25 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,

bis(1-hydroxyethyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxyethyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)methylphosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyethylenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)ethylphosphine,
 20 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)phenylphosphine,
 25 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(3-hydroxypropenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,

bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxyphenyl)-(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)methylphosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 20 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 25 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine
 ,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,

bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)-t-butylphosphine,
5 bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
10 bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-methylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine

bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butylphenyl)methylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
15 bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)-t-butylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
20 bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phos-
25 phine,
bis(2-hydroxy-3-t-butylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phos-
phine,

bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)methylphosphine,
bis(2-hydroxy-5-t-butylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,

bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-5-tert-butylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)methylphosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 20 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phos-
 phine,
 25 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)-
 phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)-

phosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)methylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)ethylphosphine,

5 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)benzylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine,

10 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,

15 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-5-butyl-3-methylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)methylphosphine,

20 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)ethylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,

25 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)benzylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)phenylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,

 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,

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 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dimethylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)methylphosphine,
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 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
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 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibutylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 20 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)methylphos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 25 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)mesitylphosphine,

bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)-
 phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)-
 phosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)(diphenylmethyl-
 silyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-methyl-5-methoxyphenyl)(dimethylphenyl-
 silyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)methylphosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phos-
 phine,
 20 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phos-
 phine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)-
 phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3-trimethylsilylphenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)-
 25 phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)-n-propylphosphine,

bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)phenylphosphine,
 5 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 10 bis(2-hydroxy-3,5-dibromophenyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)ethylphosphine,
 15 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)phenylphosphine,
 20 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(2-hydroxy-1-naphthyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 25 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)methylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)ethylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)-n-butylphosphine,

bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)benzylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)phenylphosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)mesitylphosphine,
 5 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(1-hydroxy-2-naphthyl)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)methylphosphine,
 10 bis(dimethylsilanol)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)ethylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)-tert-butylphosphine,
 15 bis(dimethylsilanol)benzylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)phenylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 20 bis(dimethylsilanol)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(dimethylsilanol)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)methylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)ethylphosphine,
 25 bis(methylphenylsilanol)-n-propylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)benzylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)phenylphosphine,

bis(methylphenylsilanol)mesitylphosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(methylphenylsilanol)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 5 bis(methylphenylsilanol)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)methylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)isopropylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)ethylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)-n-propylphosphine,
 10 bis(diphenylsilanol)-n-butylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)-tert-butylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)benzylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)phenylphosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)mesitylphosphine,
 15 bis(diphenylsilanol)(3-chlorophenyl)phosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)(trimethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)(diphenylmethylsilyl)phosphine,
 bis(diphenylsilanol)(dimethylphenylsilyl)phosphine.

In addition, examples of the transition metal compound
 20 of formula (4) include trichlorochromium,
 trichlorochromium-3tetrahydrofuran complex,
 tris(bis[trimethylsilyl]methyl)chromium, dimesitylchromium
 tetrahydrofuran complex, dimesitylchromium 3tetrahydrofuran
 complex, trimesitylchromium tetrahydrofuran complex, chromium
 25 (II) acetylacetonate, bis(trifluoroacetoxy)chromium,
 tris(trifluoroacetoxy)chromium,
 trichloromolybdenum, pentachloromolybdenum, molybdenum
 acetate, triallylchloromolybdenum,
 mesitylenetricarbonylmolybdenum,

tetracarbonyl[(1,2,5,6)-1,5-cyclooctadiene]molybdenum,
tungsten tetrachloride, tungsten hexachloride,
mesitylene tungsten tricarbonyl, tetrabenzyltungsten,
tetramethyltungsten, pentamethyltungsten,
5 benzyltetrachlorotungsten, phenyltrichlorotungsten,
trimethylchlorotungsten, and
tris(bis[trimethylsilyl]methyl)tungsten.

The transition metal complex of formula (1) can be obtained,
for example, by reacting the compound of formula (3) with the
10 transition metal compound of formula (4).

A mol ratio of the compound of formula (3) and the transition
metal compound of formula (4) is not particularly limited, but
is preferably in a range of 1:0.1 to 1:10, more preferably a
range of 1:0.5 to 1:2.

15 Upon a reaction, a base is used, if necessary. Examples
of the base include, for example, an organic alkali metal compound
such as an organic lithium compound such as methyllithium,
ethyllithium, n-butyllithium, sec-butyllithium,
tert-butyllithium, lithiumtrimethylsilylacetylide,
20 lithiumacetylide, trimethylsilylmethyllithium, vinylolithium,
phenyllithium and allyllithium, and the amount of the base is
usually in a range of 0.5 to 5 moles per mol of the compound
of formula (3).

The aforementioned reaction is usually performed in a
25 solvent which is inert to a reaction. Examples of such the
solvent include an aprotic solvent such as an aromatic
hydrocarbon solvent such as benzene and toluene, an aliphatic
hydrocarbon solvent such as hexane and heptane, an ether solvent
such as diethylether, tetrahydrofuran, and 1,4-dioxane, an amide

solvent such as hexamethylphosphoric amide, and dimethylformamide, a polar solvent such as acetonitrile, propionitrile, acetone, diethyl ketone, methylisobutyl ketone, and cyclohexanone, and a halogenated solvent such as
5 dichloromethane, dichloroethane, chlorobenzene, and dichlorobenzene. The solvents are used alone, or may be used by mixing two or more kinds. The amount of the solvent is usually in a range of 1 to 200 parts by weight, preferably 3 to 50 parts by weight per part by weight of the compound of formula (2).

10 An order of the aforementioned reaction is not particularly limited, but the reaction can be usually performed by adding a base to a solvent and the compound of formula (3), if necessary, and adding the transition metal compound of formula (4).

The reaction temperature is usually not lower than -100°C
15 to a boiling point of a solvent, preferably in a range of about -80 to 100°C.

The transition metal complex of formula (1) can be obtained from the resulting reaction mixture by a conventional method, for example, by a procedure of filtering produced precipitates,
20 and concentrating the filtrate to precipitate a solid matter.

The transition metal complex of formula (1) obtained by the reaction of the compound of formula (3) with the transition metal compound of formula (4) may be used in the polymerization without purifying from a reaction solution.

25 The thus prepared transition metal complex of formula (1) can be used by charging a compound (A) or further a compound (B) in an optional order in polymerization, or a reaction product obtained by contacting a combination of those optional compounds before-hand may be used.

[Compound A]

As the compound (A) used in the present invention, the known organic aluminum compound can be used. Preferred compound (A) is any one of compounds (A₁) to (A₃), or a mixture of two or more of them.

Examples of the organic aluminum compound (A₁) of formula: (E₁)_aAl(Z')_(3-a) include trialkylaluminum such as trimethylaluminum, triethylaluminum, tripropylaluminum, triisobutylaluminum, and trihexylaluminum; dialkylaluminum chloride such as dimethylaluminum chloride, diethylaluminum chloride, dipropylaluminum chloride, diisobutylaluminum chloride, and dihexylaluminum chloride; alkylaluminum dichloride such as methylaluminum dichloride, ethylaluminum dichloride, propylaluminum dichloride, isobutylaluminum dichloride, hexylaluminum dichloride; dialkylaluminum hydride such as dimethylaluminum hydride, diethylaluminum hydride, dipropylaluminum hydride, diisobutylaluminum hydride, and dihexylaluminum hydride. Preferred is trialkylaluminum, and more preferred is triethylaluminum, or triisobutylaluminum.

Examples of E₂ or E₃ in cyclic aluminoxane (A₂) having a structure of formula: {-Al(E₂)-O-}_b or linear aluminoxane (A₃) having a structure of formula: (E₃){-Al(E₃)-O-}_cAl(E₃)₂ include an alkyl group such as a methyl group, an ethyl group, a normal propyl group, an isopropyl group, a normal butyl group, an isobutyl group, a normal pentyl group, and a neopentyl group. And, b is an integer of 2 or more, and c is an integer of 1 or more. Preferred E₂ and E₃ are a methyl group and an isobutyl group, b is 2 to 40, and c is around 1 to 40.

The aforementioned aluminoxane is prepared by various

processes. The process is not particularly limited, but the aluminoxane may be prepared according to the known process. For example, the aluminoxane is prepared by contacting water with a solution in which trialkylaluminum (e.g. trimethylaluminum etc.) is dissolved in a suitable organic solvent (benzene, aliphatic hydrocarbon etc.). Alternatively, there can be exemplified a method of preparing the aluminoxane by contacting trialkylaluminum (e.g. trimethylaluminum) with a metal salt (e.g. copper sulfate hydrate etc.) containing crystal water.

Examples of the compound (B) used in the present invention include any one of boron compounds represented by (B₁), (B₂) or (B₃), or a mixture of two or more of them.

In the boron compound (B₁) of formula: BQ₁Q₂Q₃, B is a trivalent boron atom, and Q₁ to Q₃ are a halogen atom, a C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a halogenated C1-20 hydrocarbon group, a silyl group substituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, an C1-20 alkoxy group, or an amino group disubstituted with C1-20 hydrocarbon, and may be the same or different. Preferred Q₁ to Q₃ are a halogen atom, a C1-20 hydrocarbon group, and a halogenated C1-20 hydrocarbon group.

Examples of (B₁) include tris(pentafluorophenyl)borane, tris(2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenyl)borane, tris(2,3,4,5-tetrafluorophenyl)borane, tris(3,4,5-trifluorophenyl)borane, tris(2,3,4-trifluorophenyl)borane, and phenylbis(pentafluorophenyl)borane, and preferred is tris(pentafluorophenyl)borane.

In the boron compound (B₂) of formula: Z⁺(BQ₁Q₂Q₃Q₄)⁻, Z⁺ is an inorganic or organic cation, B is a trivalent boron atom,

and examples of Q_1 to Q_4 include the same compound as those of Q_1 to Q_3 .

In the compound of formula: $Z^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$, examples of Z^+ which is an inorganic cation include a ferrocenium cation, an alkyl-substituted ferrocenium cation, and a silver cation, and examples of Z^+ which is an organic cation include a triphenylmethyl cation. Examples of $(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$ include tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, tetrakis(2,3,5,6-tetrafluorophenyl)borate, tetrakis(2,3,4,5-tetrafluorophenyl)borate, tetrakis(3,4,5-trifluorophenyl)borate, tetrakis(2,2,4-trifluorophenyl)borate, phenylbis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, and tetrakis(3,5-bistrifluoromethylphenyl)borate.

Examples of the compound of formula: $Z^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$ include ferrocenium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, 1,1'-dimethylferrocenium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, silver tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(3,5-bistrifluoromethylphenyl)borate, and preferred is triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate.

In addition, in the boron compound (B_3) of formula: $(L-H)^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$, L is a neutral Lewis base, $(L-H)^+$ is a Brönsted acid, B is a trivalent boron atom, and examples of Q_1 to Q_4 include the same compounds as those of Q_1 to Q_3 in (B_1).

In the compound of formula: $(L-H)^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$, examples of $(L-H)^+$ which is a Brönsted acid include trialkyl-substituted ammonium, N,N -dialkylanilinium, dialkylammonium, and triarylphosphonium, and examples of $(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$ include the same

ions as those described above.

Examples of the compound of formula: $(L-H)^+(BQ_1Q_2Q_3Q_4)^-$ include triethylammonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, tripropylammonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, 5 tri(normal butyl)ammonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, tri(normal butyl)ammonium tetrakis(3,5-bistrifluoromethylphenyl)borate, N,N-dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, N,N-diethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, 10 N,N-2,4,6-pentamethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, N,N-dimethylanilinium tetrakis(3,5-bistrifluoromethylphenyl)borate, diisopropylammonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, dicyclohexylammonium tetrakis(pentafluoro)borate, 15 triphenylphosphonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, tri(methylphenyl)phosphonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, tri(dimethylphenyl)phosphonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, preferably tri(normal 20 butyl)ammonium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate, and N,N-dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate.

The amount of each catalyst component is suitably set so that a molar ratio of compound (A)/transition metal complex (1) is usually in a range of 0.1 to 10000, preferably 5 to 2000, 25 and a molar ratio of compound (B)/transition metal complex (1) is usually in a range of 0.01 to 100, preferably 0.5 to 10.

Regarding the concentration when each catalyst component is used in a solution state, it is desirable to use each component so that the concentration of the transition metal complex (1)

is usually in a range of 0.0001 to 5 mmol/liter, preferably in a range of 0.001 to 1 mmol/liter, and that of the compound (A) is usually in a range of 0.01 to 500 mmol/liter, preferably in a range of 0.1 to 100 mmol/liter in terms of an Al atom, and
5 that of the component (B) is in a range of 0.0001 to 5 mmol/liter, preferably in a range of 0.001 to 1 mmol/liter.

In the present invention, as a monomer used for polymerization, any of olefin and diolefin having 2 to 20 carbon atoms can be used, and two or more kinds of monomers may be used
10 at the same time. The monomer will be exemplified below, but the present invention is not limited to the following compounds. Examples of the olefin include ethylene, propylene, butene-1, pentene-1, hexene-1, heptene-1, octene-1, nonene-1, decene-1, 5-methyl-2-pentene-1, and vinylcyclohexene.

15 Examples of the diolefin compound include a conjugated diene and non-conjugated diene hydrocarbon compounds and, specific examples of the compound include the non-conjugated diene compound such as 1,5-hexadiene, 1,4-hexadiene, 1,4-pentadiene, 1,7-octadiene, 1,8-nonadiene, 1,9-decadiene,
20 4-methyl-1,4-hexadiene, 5-methyl-1,4-hexadiene, 7-methyl-1,6-octadiene, 5-ethylidene-2-norbornene, dicyclopentadiene, 5-vinyl-2-norbornene, 5-methyl-2-norbornene, norbornadiene, 5-methylene-2-norbornene, 1,5-cyclooctadiene, or
25 5,8-endomethylenehexahydronaphthalene, and the conjugated diene compound such as 1,3-butadiene, isoprene, 1,3-hexadiene, 1,3-octadiene, 1,3-cyclooctadiene, or 1,3-cyclohexadiene.

Examples of the monomers constituting a copolymer include a combination of ethylene and propylene, ethylene and butene-1,

ethylene and hexene-1, and propylene and butene-1, and a combination using further 5-ethylidene-2-norbornene in the combinations above, but the present invention is not limited to the above compounds.

5 In the present invention, as a monomer, an aromatic vinyl compound may be used. Examples of an aromatic vinyl compound include styrene, o-methylstyrene, m-methylstyrene, p-methylstyrene, o,p-dimethylstyrene, o-ethylstyrene, m-ethylstyrene, p-ethylstyrene, o-chlorostyrene,
10 p-chlorostyrene, α -methylstyrene, and divinylbenzene.

 The polymerization method is not particularly limited, but solvent polymerization or slurry polymerization using, as a solvent, an aliphatic hydrocarbon such as butane, pentane, hexane, heptane or octane, an aromatic hydrocarbon such as
15 benzene or toluene, or halogenated hydrocarbon such as methylene dichloride, or vapor phase polymerization of a gaseous monomer is possible, and any of continuous polymerization and batch-type polymerization can be applied.

 The polymerization temperature can be in a range of -50°C
20 to 200°C, in particular, preferably in a range of around -20°C to 100°C, and a polymerization pressure is preferably normal pressure to 6 MPa (60 kg/cm² G). A polymerization time is generally selected appropriately depending on a kind of an objective polymer, and a reaction apparatus, and can be in a
25 range of 1 minute to 20 hours. In addition, in the present invention, a chain transfer agent such as hydrogen may be added in order to regulate a molecular weight of a copolymer.

Examples

The present invention will be explained in more detail below by way of Examples, but the present invention is not limited to these Examples. Nature of polymers in Examples was measured by the following methods.

5 [Molecular weight and molecular weight distribution]

A molecular weight and a molecular weight distribution were measured under the following condition using RapidGPC.

Pumping apparatus: (LC pump) manufactured by Gilson, Inc., Model 305 (pump head 25.SC)

10 Column: manufactured by Polymer Laboratories (PL), PLgel

Mixed-B 10 μm , 7.5 mm ϕ \times 300 mm

Mobile phase: o-dichlorobenzene

Dissolution solvent: 1,2,4-trichlorobenzene

Flow rate: 2 ml/min

15 Column temperature: 160°C

Calibration line: PL standard polystyrene (PS) 8 samples, (standard PS molecular weight) 5,000, 10,050, 28,500, 65,500, 185,400, 483,000, 1,013,000, 3,390,000

[Melting point]

20 A melting point was measured under the following condition using SAMMS (Sensor Array Modular System) (manufactured by Symyx Technologies, Inc.).

Measurement mode: Melting temperature measurement by heat capacity spectroscopy

25 Atmosphere gas: vacuum condition (3.0×10^{-4} Torr or less)

Temperature program: (Start) room temperature, (Temperature raising rate) about 50°C/min, (Holding) 200°C(0 min)

[Me branching]

Me branching was measured under the following condition

using IR (EQUINOX55 manufactured by Bruker).

Measurement mode: reflection transmission method (formation of film on mirror plane)

Blank: mirror plane (Air)

5 Measurement condition: (Resolution) 2 cm^{-1} , (Accumulated time) 128 times, (Wavelength) 400 to 4000 cm^{-1}

Synthesis Example

Example 1

10 [Synthesis of
2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride]

To a solution (2.94mL) of NaH (0.20 g, 5.00 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran was added dropwise a solution (3.91 mL) of
15 bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine (0.43 g, 1.00 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran at 0°C , and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. Excessive NaH was removed by filtration, and a solution (2.94 mL) of $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot (\text{THF})_3$ (0.37 g, 1.00 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran was added dropwise to
20 the filtrate at 0°C . The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 hours, the solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure, toluene (10.0 mL) was added, insolubles were filtered off, and the filtrate was distilled off under reduced pressure to quantitatively obtain
25 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride as a green solid.

MS spectrum (EI) 519 (M^+)

Example 2

[Synthesis of

bis(2-methoxymethoxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine]

To a solution (28.1 mL) of

5 2-tert-butyl-1-methoxymethoxy-4-methylbenzene (4.17 g, 20 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran was added a 1.57 M solution (15.3 mL) of n-butyllithium in hexane at 0°C, and the temperature was raised to room temperature, followed by stirring for 1 hour. To the reaction mixture was added a solution (18.8 mL) of
10 tert-butyldichlorophosphine (1.75 g, 11.0 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran at 0°C, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 15 hours. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure, toluene (20.0 mL) was added, insolubles were filtered off, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced
15 pressure to quantitatively obtain bis(2-methoxymethoxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine as a yellow liquid.

¹H NMR (C₆D₆) δ1.30(d, J = 12.4Hz, 9H), 1.51(18H), 2.12(6H), 3.52(6H), 5.46-5.72(4H), 7.16(2H), 7.30(2H)

20 ³¹P NMR (C₆D₆) δ-4.2

Example 3

[Synthesis of

bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine]
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To an ethyl acetate/methanol = 1/1 solution (60 mL) of bis(2-methoxymethoxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine (1.01 g, 2 mmol) was added acetyl chloride (0.79 g, 10.0 mmol) at room temperature, and the mixture was stirred

at room temperature for 15 hours. The solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure to quantitatively obtain bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine as a pale yellow solid.

5 $^1\text{H NMR}(\text{C}_6\text{D}_6)$ δ 1.31(9H), 1.44(18H), 2.36(6H), 7.32(2H), 7.49(2H)
 $^{31}\text{P NMR}(\text{C}_6\text{D}_6)$ δ -2.3

Example 4

[Synthesis of

10 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)
chromium chloride]

To a solution (2.70 mL) of NaH (0.18 g, 4.43 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran was added a solution (3.60 mL) of bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)(tert-butyl)phosphine (0.40 g, 0.89 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran at 0°C, and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 3 hours. Excessive NaH was removed by filtration, and a solution (2.70 mL) of $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot (\text{THF})_3$ (0.33 g, 0.89 mmol) in tetrahydrofuran was added dropwise to the filtrate at 0°C. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 10 hours, the solvent was distilled off under reduced pressure, toluene (10.0 mL) was added, the insolubles were filtered off, and the filtrate was distilled off under reduced pressure to obtain 381.1 mg of

20 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(2-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)
chromium chloride as a green solid.

MS spectrum (EI) 499 (M-1)

Example 5

Polymerization

5.0 mL of toluene was placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized.

Methylaluminoxane (100 μmol), and

5 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride (0.10 μmol) were added thereto to perform polymerization for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 1.08×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 6

According to the same manner as that of Example 5 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μmol) were
15 used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 4.00×10^6 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 7

20 According to the same manner as that of Example 5 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μmol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
25 a result of polymerization, 1.70×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 8

According to the same manner as that of Example 5 except

that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 7.72×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 9

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μ L) were placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and to stabilized. Methylaluminoxane (100 μ mol), 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride (0.10 μ mol) were added thereto, followed by polymerization for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 1.11×10^7 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 2.33×10^6 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 2.0, a melting point (T_m) = 117.7°C, and Me branching of 9 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 10

According to the same manner as that of Example 9 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 7.40×10^6 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 1.19×10^4 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.9, a melting point (T_m) = 112.9°C, and Me branching of 8 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of

chromium an hour.

Example 11

According to the same manner as that of Example 9 except
5 that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium
tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in
place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
a result of polymerization, 4.72×10^7 g of a polymer having
10 a molecular weight (M_w) = 9.74×10^3 , a molecular weight
distribution (M_w/M_n) = 2.0, a melting point (T_m) = 120.4°C, and
Me branching of 14 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of
chromium an hour.

15 Example 12

According to the same manner as that of Example 9 except
that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl
tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in
20 place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
a result of polymerization, 5.82×10^7 g of a polymer having
a molecular weight (M_w) = 2.71×10^3 , a molecular weight
distribution (M_w/M_n) = 4.6, a melting point (T_m) = 121.5°C and
Me branching of 17 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of
25 chromium an hour.

Example 13

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μ L) were placed into
a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 70°C, and

then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized .
Pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μmol) and
2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)chromium chloride (0.10 μmol) were added thereto, followed by
5 polymerization for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization,
2.06 $\times 10^7$ g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 3.3
 $\times 10^3$, a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.8, a melting
point (T_m) = 131°C, and Me branching of 4 per 1000 carbons was
prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 14

5.0 mL of toluene was placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under
nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was
pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized.

15 Methylaluminoxane (100 μmol) was placed therein, and a toluene
solution obtained by mixing
bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine
(0.20 μmol) and $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot (\text{THF})_3$ (0.20 μmol) at 25°C for 1 minute
was added, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes.
20 As a result of polymerization, 1.00 $\times 10^5$ g of a polymer was
prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 15

According to the same manner as that of Example 14 except
25 that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μmol) were
used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed.
As a result of polymerization, 8.10 $\times 10^6$ g of a polymer was
prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 16

According to the same manner as that of Example 14 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 1.29×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 17

According to the same manner as that of Example 14 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 4.87×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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20 Example 18

5.0 mL of toluene was placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized.

Methylaluminoxane (100 μ mol) was placed therein, and a toluene solution obtained by mixing

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bis(2-hydroxy-3-tert-butyl-5-methylphenyl)phenylphosphine (0.40 μ mol) and $\text{CrCl}_3 \cdot (\text{THF})_3$ (0.20 μ mol) at 25°C for 1 minute was added, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 1.00×10^5 g of a polymer was

prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 19

According to the same manner as that of Example 18 except
5 that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μ mol) were
used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed.
As a result of polymerization, 9.80×10^6 g of a polymer was
prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 20

According to the same manner as that of Example 18 except
that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium
15 tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in
place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
a result of polymerization, 1.41×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared
per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

20 Example 21

According to the same manner as that of Example 18 except
that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl
tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in
25 place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
a result of polymerization, 7.98×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared
per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 22

5.0 mL of toluene was placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized.

Methylaluminoxane (100 μmol), and

5 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(2-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)
chromium chloride (0.10 μmol) were added thereto, and
polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of
polymerization, 1.33×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared per 1
mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 23

According to the same manner as that of Example 22 except
that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μmol) were
15 used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed.
As a result of polymerization, 1.00×10^5 g of a polymer was
prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 24

20 According to the same manner as that of Example 22 except
that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0
M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium
tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μmol) were used in
place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
25 a result of polymerization, 2.12×10^7 g of a polymer was prepared
per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 25

According to the same manner as that of Example 22 except

that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μmol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As
5 a result of polymerization, 1.65×10^8 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 26

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μL) were placed into
10 a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized. Methylaluminoxane (100 μmol) and 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy) chromium chloride (0.10 μmol) were added thereto, and
15 polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 1.11×10^7 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 7.30×10^3 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 2.0, a melting point (T_m) = 114.5°C, and Me branching of 32 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 27

According to the same manner as that of Example 26 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μL , 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and pentafluorophenylborane (0.30 μmol) were
25 used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 1.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 28

According to the same manner as that of Example 26 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 2.77×10^7 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 9.00×10^3 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.7, a melting point (T_m) = 117.7°C, and Me branching of 23 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 29

According to the same manner as that of Example 26 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 1.59×10^8 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 8.30×10^3 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.7, a melting point (T_m) = 116.6°C, and Me branching of 20 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 30

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μ L) were placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 70°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized. Methylaluminoxane (100 μ mol) and 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)

chromium chloride ($0.10\ \mu\text{mol}$) were added thereto, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result, 9.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

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Example 31

According to the same manner as that of Example 30 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane ($40\ \mu\text{L}$, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium

10 tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate ($0.30\ \mu\text{mol}$) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 4.10×10^6 g of a polymer having a molecular weight (M_w) = 4.00×10^3 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.5, a melting point (T_m) = 122.1°C and
15 Me branching of 27 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 32

According to the same manner as that of Example 30 except
20 that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane ($40\ \mu\text{L}$, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl

tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate ($0.30\ \mu\text{mol}$) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 4.87×10^7 g of a polymer having
25 a molecular weight (M_w) = 6.50×10^3 , a molecular weight distribution (M_w/M_n) = 1.53, a melting point (T_m) = 123.1°C , and Me branching of 15 per 1000 carbons was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 33

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μ L) were placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 130°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 Mpa therein and stabilized. Methylaluminoxane (100 μ mol) and 2,2'-(tert-butylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy) chromium chloride (0.10 μ mol) were added thereto, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 5.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 34

According to the same manner as that of Example 33 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 3.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Example 35

According to the same manner as that of Example 33 except that a solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku) and triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) were used in place of methylaluminoxane, polymerization was performed. As a result of polymerization, 6.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of chromium an hour.

Comparative Example 1

5.0 mL of toluene was placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized. A solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku), triphenylmethyl tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) and 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)(tetrahydrofuran)titanium dichloride (0.10 μ mol) were added thereto, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 1.30×10^6 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of titanium an hour.

Comparative Example 2

5.0 mL of toluene and 1-hexene (50 μ L) were placed into a 23.5 mL autoclave under nitrogen, and stabilized at 40°C, and then ethylene was pressurized to 0.60 MPa therein and stabilized. A solution of triisobutylaluminum in hexane (40 μ L, 1.0 M, Kanto Kagaku), dimethylanilinium tetrakis(pentafluorophenyl)borate (0.30 μ mol) and 2,2'-(phenylphosphido)bis(6-tert-butyl-4-methylphenoxy)(tetrahydrofuran)titanium dichloride (0.10 μ mol) were added thereto, and polymerization was carried out for 30 minutes. As a result of polymerization, 7.00×10^5 g of a polymer was prepared per 1 mol of titanium an hour.

Industrial Applicability

Using a transition metal complex obtained by the present invention as a catalytic component, polyolefin can be prepared with better catalyst activity.